<p style="text-align:center;">**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**</p>

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-71: Cancelled

Claim 72 (Currently Amended):   A method of transferring and using information, comprising ~~the steps of~~:

    (a)   creating at least one file containing information from an existing database, wherein the information relates to a plurality of items; ~~obtaining information related to a plurality of items from an existing database~~;

    (b)   reformatting the information in a desired manner to facilitate the use of the information by an RFID tag conversion device;

    (c)   exporting the reformatted information to a database stored on a data storage device; and

    (d)   writing the reformatted information related to a selected item of the plurality of items ~~using the information on the data storage device with an RFID tag conversion device to write information~~ to an RFID tag using the RFID tag conversion device.

Claim 73: Cancelled.

Claim 74 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim 72 ~~or 73~~, wherein the method further includes ~~the step of~~ (e) placing the RFID tag on or in the selected item.

Claim 75 (Original):   The method of claim 72, wherein the existing database includes information correlating the items to item identifiers.

Claim 76 (Original):   The method of claim 72, wherein the item identifiers comprise barcodes.

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Claim 77 (Original): The method of claim 72, wherein the item identifiers comprise at least one of characters and handwriting.

Claim 78 (Original): The method of claim 72, wherein the information exported to the data storage device comprises at least one list of items to be converted to RFID tagged items.

Claim 79 (Original): The method of claim 78, wherein the list is a list of items in an order that the items are to be located in a storage area.

Claim 80 (Original): The method of claim 72, wherein the data storage device is a removable non-volatile data storage device.

Claim 81 (Original): The method of claim 80, wherein the removable non-volatile data storage device is a solid-state device.

Claim 82 (Original): The method of claim 81, wherein the removable non-volatile solid-state data storage device is a computer flash memory card.

Claim 83 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 72, wherein the reformatted information exported to the data storage device comprises more than one file, each file including at least one database record.

Claim 84 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 72, wherein the information is reformatted by selecting from each record in the existing database information to be provided in a primary information field on the data storage device and selecting information to be provided in a secondary information field in the database on the data storage device.

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Claim 85 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 84, wherein at least one of the primary and secondary information fields comprises information from a record related to a single type of information.

Claim 86 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 84, wherein at least one of the primary and secondary information fields comprises information from a record related to more than one type of information.

Claim 87 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 84, wherein at least one of the primary and secondary information fields comprises information from a record in the existing database that represents only a portion of the information contained in that record.

Claim 88 (Original): The method of claim 84, wherein the information selected for the primary and secondary information fields is selected from the group consisting of the name or title of the item, the identification number of the item, or the call number of the item.

Claim 89 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 84, wherein the method further comprises the step of displaying information obtained from the primary information field and information obtained from the secondary information field on the RFID tag conversion device for observation by a user.

Claim 90 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 72, wherein the step of reformatting the data comprises identifying multiple records in the existing database that relate to equivalent items.

Claim 91 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 90, wherein the method further comprises the step of providing only one entry on the database stored on the data storage device relative to that item.

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Claim 92 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim 90, wherein the method further comprises the step of comparing multiple entries from the existing database to determine whether the multiple entries relate to equivalent items using at least one of a primary information field and a secondary information field.

Claim 93 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim 72, wherein the step of reformatting the data comprises identifying multiple records in the existing database that relate to equivalent items.

Claim 94 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim of 93, wherein the method further comprises the step of assigning the same storage area location to each equivalent identical item.

Claim 95 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim 72, wherein the method further comprises the step of previewing the format of at least one entry for the database on the data storage device prior to step (c).

Claim 96 (Original):   The method of claim 95, wherein the entry includes information selected from the group consisting of an item identifier, a primary information field, a secondary information field, and a barcode.

Claim 97 (Currently Amended):   The method of claim 72, wherein the method further comprises the step of providing a summary log related to the exportation of information.

Claim 98 (Original):   The method of claim 97, wherein the summary log comprises information selected from a group consisting of a description of the files that were exported, the number of entries that were exported, the elapsed time for the transfer, and the number of errors encountered during the export.

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Claim 99 (Original): The method of claim 97, wherein the method further comprises providing a detailed error log that provides information related to errors detected in the exported information.

Claim 100 (Original): The method of any on claims 72-99, wherein the items are library materials.

Claim 101 (Original): The method of any one of claims 72-99, wherein the items are files.

Claim 102 (Original): The method of any of claims 72-99, wherein the items are pieces of evidence.

Claim 103 (Original): The method of any one of claims 72-99, wherein the items are pallets or containers.

Claim 104 (Original): Software comprising instructions for carrying out the method of any of claim 72 through 99.

Claim 105 (Currently Amended): A system comprising~~In combination~~:
(a) software for creating at least one file containing information from an existing database having an arbitrary data management system, wherein the information includes at least one list of items of interest, and reformatting the information ~~obtained from an existing database having an arbitrary data management~~ system into reformatted information stored in a database for use by an RFID tag conversion device~~, the database comprising entries related to items of interest~~; and
(b) an RFID tag conversion device that writes the reformatted information related to the items of interest to RFID tags.

Claim 106 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 105, wherein the RFID tag conversion device is a handheld RFID tag conversion device.

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Claim 107 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 105, wherein the RFID tag conversion device is a component of a workstation for processing items selected by users.

Claim 108 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 107, wherein the workstation adapted for use by a library employee.

Claim 109 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 107, wherein the workstation is a self-service station adapted for use by the user who selected the items.

Claim 110 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 107, wherein the workstation is a conversion station for converting non-RFID-tagged items to RFID-tagged items.

Claim 111 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 110, wherein the non-RFID-tagged items are barcoded items.

Claim 112 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 110, wherein the non-RFID-tagged items are identified by characters.

Claim 113 (Currently Amended): The ~~combination~~ system of claim 110, wherein the non-RFID-tagged items are items regarding which a user enters information describing the items into the workstation.

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